State of Maine Procurement Justification Form

This form must accompany all contract requests and sole source requisitions (RQS) over \$5,000 submitted to the Division of Procurement Services.

PART I: OVERVIEW										
Department Office/Division/Program:				DHHS / Commissioner's Office – Jackie Farwell						
Department Contract Administrator or Grant Coordinator:				Nancy Tan/Lora Blackwell						
(If applicable) Department Reference #:			OSA-18-4034I							
Amo (Contract/Amendment/Gr		Current: \$1,524,111. Amend: \$ 100,000. Revised:\$ 1,624,111	.00	Advantage	CT / RQS #:	10A 20180228*2563				
CONTRACT		Proposed Start Date:			Proposed End Date:					
AMENDMENT	Original Start Date:		3/01/2018		Effective Date:					
AMENDMENT	Previous End Date:		01/31/21		New End Date:		05/14/21			
GRANT	Project Start Date:				Grant Start Date:					
	Project End Date:				Grant End Date:					
Vendor/Provider/Grantee Name, City, State:			Results Marketing & Design, dba Ethos							
Brief Description of Goods/Services/Grant:			Marketing Campaign for Public Service Announcements related to COVID-19 Civil Emergency							

PART II: JUSTIFICATION FOR VENDOR SELECTION							
Mark an "X" before the justification(s) that applies to this request. (Check all that apply.)							
	A. Competitive Process		G. Grant				
Х	B. Amendment		H. State Statute/Agency Directed				
Х	C. Single Source/Unique Vendor		I. Federal Agency Directed				
	D. Proprietary/Copyright/Patents		J. Willing and Qualified				
	E. Emergency		K. Client Choice				
	F. University Cooperative Project	Х	L. Other Authorization: COVID-19				

PART III: SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

Please respond to ALL of the following:

1. Provide a more detailed description and explain the need for the goods, services or grant to supplement the response in Part I.

The purpose of this amendment is to develop an outreach campaign to encourage Mainers to make an appointment and follow through on getting vaccinated against COVID-19.

The campaign's primary audience is Maine residents of a variety of ages, income levels, and geographies, with a focus on audiences who are mostly in favor of getting vaccinated, but on the fence. Sub messages will reinforce the safety and efficacy to help drive them to set the appointment, with a continued focus on encouraging masking and social distancing.

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PART III: SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

2. Provide a brief justification for the selected vendor to supplement the response in Part II.

The provider has current experience working on marketing and advertising campaigns focused on promoting public health, including during the COVID-19 pandemic. The Department's existing relationship would provide the necessary rapid creation of the campaign, and the vendor has previously demonstrated ability to work on extremely expedited timelines.

3. Explain how the negotiated costs or rates are fair and reasonable; or how the funding was allocated to grantee.

The rates are consistent with the current contract and the bulk of the funding will be used to purchase digital, social media, and streaming or other advertisements, and some funding will potentially be used for the development and printing of promotional/educational materials.

4. Describe the plan for future competition for the goods or services.

The Department does not plan to RFP this service in the future, it is a one-time procurement for an urgent need specific to the COVID-19 pandemic.

PART IV: APPROVALS							
Signature of requesting Department's Commissioner (or	By signing below, I signify that I approve of this procurement request.						
designee):	boccongnect by:						
Printed Name:	Jim⁷Eepaeesky	Date:	Jim Lopatosky				
Signature of DAFS Procurement Official:	DocuSigned by: Kathy Pagnette						
Printed Name:	41C2BA36FAF44CD Kathy Paquette		5/3/2021				

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